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CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Re: Case 1:14-cv-00408-JMS-KSC Consent Decree (State of Hawaii)

Dear Ms. Blake:

Thank you for your email dated June 2, 2015, regarding the Storm Sewer System Operation and Maintenance Program (SSSOMP) submitted by the State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, Harbors Division (HDOT-Harbors) on December 3, 2014. In response to your email, HDOT-Harbors is requesting an extension to the 30 days deadline to submit a revised version of the SSSOMP from June 29, 2015 to July 31, 2015.

Upon receiving your June 2, 2015 email disapproving the SSSOMP, HDOT-Harbors met with the Hawaii Department of Health, Clean Water Branch (HDOH) representatives Jamie Tanimoto and Matt Kurano on June 10, 2015 to understand the reasons for the disapproval. The HDOH expressed its concern that Version 10 of the SSSOMP did not describe how the work in the SSSOMP would be linked with the Asset Management System (AMS), as provided in Paragraph 20 of the Consent Decree.

In the meeting with HDOH, HDOT-Harbors explained that the award of the AMS contract was imminent and that there may be specific work processes stated in Version 10 of the SSSMOP that may change due to the construct of the AMS software - as has been the experience with the implementation of any new system software. HDOT-Harbors also presented its progress with completing the Storm Sewer System Mapping. To apprise you of our work procuring the AMS, please find attached our scope of work for the recent solicitation and procurement of the AMS.

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In light of HDOT-Harbors discussion with the HDOH, HDOT-Harbors would like to propose that Version 10 of the SSSOMP be *provisionally* approved with the following amendments and actions taken: 1) address the specific comments as noted in your June 2, 2015, email, except for those items specified by HDOT-Harbors that will be otherwise addressed in the final version of the SSSOMP as described in the next paragraph; 2) include a description of the AMS in the Introduction; 3) add a new Section 4 describing the AMS and schedule of implementation; and, 4) amend the Table of Contents to reflect the above. The work to amend Version 10 would be completed and submitted to you on or before July 31, 2015.

By December 31, 2015, HDOT-Harbors anticipates completing the Storm Sewer System Mapping. In accordance with Paragraph 20 of the Consent Decree, the AMS will also be fully implemented within 180 days from December 31, 2015. The full implementation of the AMS will be coordinated with the final update of the Version 10 of the SSSMOP to address the HDOH's concern that the SSSMOP include how the work in the SSSOMP is to be linked with the AMS.

In addition to amending Version 10 of the SSSOMP for provisional approval, HDOT-Harbors will provide a progress report to you on the AMS procurement and implementation schedule and progress of the Storm Sewer System Mapping.

In summary, HDOT-Harbors is requesting an extension to July 31, 2015, to amend Version 10 of the SSSOMP for Provisional Approval with added corrections to in response to your June 2, 2015, email.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marjorie A. Lau

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